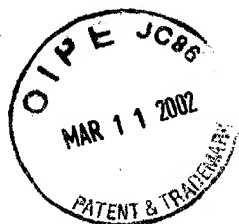


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Applicant: Scott Lee Christopherson et al. Art Unit: 2841  
 Serial No.: 09/747,245 Examiner: Tuan T. Dinh  
 Filed: December 21, 2000  
 For: PROTECTION FOR RADIATED ELECTROMAGNETIC SUSCEPTIBILITY  
 DURING CONCURRENT MAINTENANCE

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

1. ☒ Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response.
  2. ☐ Small Entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
  - ☐ Enclosed is a verified statement to establish Small Entity status
  - ☒ Other than a Small Entity
3. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

**CALCULATION OF FEES**

Fee:	Number of Claims After Amendment:		Previously Paid For:	No. Extra:	At Rate:	Amount:
Total Claims	13	minus	13	0	\$18	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	minus	2	0	\$84	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					\$280	\$0.00
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIMS:						\$0.00

- ☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

4. ☐ Attached is a check in the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for additional claims.  
☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

5. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply. Complete (a) or (b) as applicable.

- ☐ (a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

Ext. Mos.	Large entity	Small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 920.00	\$ 460.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,440.00	\$ 720.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$1,960.00	\$ 980.00

Extension fee due with this request:

\$\_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment:

Check enclosed in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- ☐ An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured and the fee paid thereof of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$\_\_\_\_\_.

OR

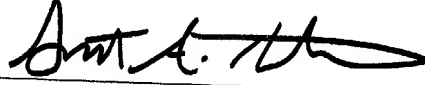
- ☒ (b) Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

6. ☒ If any additional fee for claims or extension of time is required, charge Account No. 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Enclosed:**

Amendment Transmittal (in duplicate) containing Certificate of Mailing under 37 C.F.R. 1.8  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 29, 2001, the following  
amendments and remarks are provided:

Amendments

In the Claims

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows:

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1. (Once Amended) A device for protecting components within an electronic system from radiated electromagnetic energy during concurrent maintenance, the device comprising:
    - a sheet of electromagnetic shielding material sized to overlay a portion of the electronic system;
    - an opening formed in the sheet and sized for accessing the components within the electronic system; and
    - a grounding member electrically coupled to the sheet and adapted to be coupled to a ground, the grounding member including a wire terminated with a clip for removably coupling the grounding member to ground.